

FAITH 
COVENANT

C H U R C H

Spreading A Love for God and His Glory

May 17, 2026

“Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and exult and give Him the glory.”

Rev 19:6b-7a

**Call to
Worship**

Worship begins
with God who
invites us and
welcomes us into
his presence.
Because of Christ,
we can approach
God with
boldness even
though we are
sinful and
weak.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP: *Psalm 96:7-11

Leader: O nations of the world, recognize the Lord; recognize that the Lord is glorious and strong. Give to the Lord the glory he deserves! Bring your offering and come into his courts. Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness. Tremble before him, all the earth!

All: Say among the nations, “The LORD reigns!”

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***A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD - Hymn #92**

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
our helper he, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.

For still our ancient foe does seek to work us woe;
his craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate,
on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing,
were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choosing.

Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he;
Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same;
and he must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo
us,
we will not fear, for God has willed his truth to triumph through us.

The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
his rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure;
one little word shall fell him.

That Word above all earthly powers no thanks to them abideth;
the Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth.

Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still;
his kingdom is forever!

***PRAYER OF PRAISE**

Colors in the Church

We use different colored banners in a symbolic way throughout the liturgical year.

White = purity & holiness

Purple = royalty & suffering.

Red = blood & fire

Blue = royalty

Black = mourning & death (only used on Good Friday)

Green = life & growth

***GOOD AND GRACIOUS KING**

I approach the throne of glory nothing in my hands I bring
But the promise of acceptance from a good and gracious King

I will give to You my burden as You give to me Your strength
Come and fill me with Your Spirit as I sing to You this praise

(Chorus)

*You deserve the greater glory, overcome I lift my voice
To the King in need of nothing, empty handed I rejoice
You deserve the greater glory, overcome with joy I sing
By Your love I am accepted, You're a good and gracious King*

O what grace that You would see me as Your child and as Your friend
Safe secure in You forever I pour out my praise again

(Chorus)

(Bridge 2x)

Holy, holy, Lord Almighty
Good and gracious, good and gracious
Holy, Holy, Lord Almighty
Good and gracious King

(Chorus)

You're a good and gracious King

COMMON CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION: *1 John 2:3-4*

And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments. Whoever says “I know him” but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

FORGIVEN

Lord, forgive us for our pride
When our faith becomes a show
Dressed in righteous deeds to hide
All the stains below
We have judged Your sons and daughters
For the sin that is our own
May we now forgive each other
And lay down our stones

Lord, forgive us for our love
Of the things we wish to own
We forsake the feast above
For all the crumbs below
Though You've made us sons and daughters
We do not the world disown
May we find our greatest treasure
Is in You alone

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

DECLARATION OF GRACE: *1 John 2:12*

I am writing to you, little children, because your sins are forgiven for his name's sake.

Call to Confession

We all sin daily,
in thought and
word and deed. As
we come into
God's presence,
we acknowledge
how we have
rebelled against
our King and seek
his forgiveness.

***FORGIVEN, cont.**

Forgiven, forgiven
Through the blood of Christ
We are forgiven

Lord, forgive us for our shame
When we can't release the past
When we're quick to take the blame
But forget we're free at last
We avoid Your sons and daughters
For the fear we don't belong
Give us eyes to see each other
Through Your only Son

*Forgiven, forgiven
Through the blood of Christ
We are forgiven*

Offering

We give back to
God a portion of
what he has
given us to use
to declare that
he is Lord of all.
(This is part of
our service as a
church family,
and visitors
should not feel
obligated to
participate.)

OFFERTORY & RESPONSE

*Reminder: please sign and pass the Attendance Register down the pew.
Children ages 4-6 excused for Children's Church (downstairs Corner Classroom)*

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heav'nly host.

Praise Father and the Son;

Praise Father and the Son,

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

(Repeat All)

Sermon Series—Revelation
Pastor John Sackett
Babylon Has Fallen!—Revelation 17:1-19:10

(Ch. 17) ¹“Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls came and said to me, “Come, I will show you the judgment of the great prostitute who is seated on many waters, ²with whom the kings of the earth have committed sexual immorality, and with the wine of whose sexual immorality the dwellers on earth have become drunk.” ³And he carried me away in the Spirit into a wilderness, and I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast that was full of blasphemous names, and it had seven heads and ten horns. ⁴The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and jewels and pearls, holding in her hand a golden cup full of abominations and the impurities of her sexual immorality. ⁵And on her forehead was written a name of mystery: “Babylon the great, mother of prostitutes and of earth’s abominations.” ⁶And I saw the woman, drunk with the blood of the saints, the blood of the martyrs of Jesus.” ...

(Ch. 18) ¹“After this I saw another angel coming down from heaven, having great authority, and the earth was made bright with his glory. ²And he called out with a mighty voice, “Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great! ... ³For all nations have drunk the wine of the passion of her sexual immorality, and the kings of the earth have committed immorality with her, and the merchants of the earth have grown rich from the power of her luxurious living.” ⁴Then I heard another voice from heaven saying, “Come out of her, my people, lest you take part in her sins,”... ⁹“And the kings of the earth, who committed sexual immorality and lived in luxury with her, will weep and wail over her when they see the smoke of her burning.”... ¹¹“And the merchants of the earth weep and mourn for her, since no one buys their cargo anymore,” ... “For in a single hour all this wealth has been laid waste.” And all shipmasters and seafaring men, sailors and all whose trade is on the sea, stood far off and cried out as they saw the smoke of her burning, “What city was like the great city?” ...

(Ch. 19) ¹“After this I heard what seemed to be the loud voice of a great multitude in heaven, crying out, “Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God, ²for his judgments are true and just; for he has judged the great prostitute who corrupted the earth with her immorality, and has avenged on her the blood of his servants.”

*Salvation and glory and power belong to our God,
therefore we can wait for His true and just judgments.*

I. A Great Power and Contrast

II. A Great Judgment

III. Our Great Praise

Sermon

God addresses and speaks to us by the reading and preaching of his Word. Both Christians and non-Christians need to hear the good news of salvation and grow in it.

Questions for Further Reflection

1. What are some of the great contrasts in this passage (or Revelation in general)? How does your life as a follower of Christ contrast with the adorers of the Harlot?
2. The Harlot and the Beast represent Rome, Babylon, Tyre, and even (old) Jerusalem, where the nations were enamored by her beauty. Is there a danger you could be overawed as well? What are our available safeguards?
3. In Mark 3:23-26, Jesus declared that “if Satan’s kingdom has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand but is coming to an end.” How does our passage show this coming true?
4. Dennis Johnson reminds us that “Hallelujah” is an imperative, a command to “Praise the LORD.” What are the reasons given in our text to praise the Lord? How do you feel about celebrating the destruction of God’s enemies? How do we keep this celebration from being about “us”?

Children’s Question

In Disney’s Snow White, when the Queen learns she is no longer “fairest in the land”, she unsuccessfully disguises herself as an old hag to try to kill Snow White. Consider this: which of the queen’s appearances showed who she really was? Why do we try so hard to be outwardly beautiful? How can Jesus help us be more beautiful on the inside?

***GOD, BE MERCIFUL TO ME**

God, be merciful to me; on Thy grace I rest my plea
Plenteous in compassion Thou, blot out my transgressions now;
Wash me, make me pure within; cleanse, O cleanse me from my
sin.

My transgressions I confess; grief and guilt my soul oppress.
I have sinned against Thy grace, and provoked Thee to Thy face.
I confess Thy judgment just; speechless, I Thy mercy trust.

Broken, humbled to the dust, by Thy wrath and judgment just,
Let my contrite heart rejoice, and in gladness hear Thy voice;
From my sins O hide Thy face, blot them out in boundless grace.

Gracious God, my heart renew, make my spirit right and true.
Cast me not away from Thee, let Thy Spirit dwell in me;
Thy salvation's joy impart, steadfast make my willing heart.

Sinners then shall learn from me, and return O God to Thee.
Savior all my guilt remove, and my tongue shall sing Thy love;
Touch my silent lips O Lord, and my mouth shall praise accord.

**The Lord's
Supper**

The gospel is not only heard, but visibly seen as God invites us to commune with him at his table. In the Lord's Supper we remember and experience Jesus' saving work.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Wine is located in the two outer rings; juice is located in the center ring.
(See FCC observance below)*

We observe the Lord's Supper each Lord's Day as the climax of our worship service. We invite to the Lord's Table all those who are baptized disciples of Jesus Christ, under the authority of Christ and His body—the Church. Visiting children who have not been examined by their church's leadership, we ask to refrain. By sharing in the Supper, you are acknowledging to our church that you are in covenant with our Triune God through the person and work of Jesus Christ. If you are in doubt about your participation, please refrain. Wine and bread are the elements of the supper as instituted by Jesus Christ. We recommend the use of wine; however we offer both juice and wine in the tray to allow true liberty of conscience.

PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION

*HIS GLORY AND MY GOOD

I have seen my Father's glory revealed in Jesus Christ
And the more that I behold Him, the more He satisfies
When I gaze upon His beauty, when I see Him as I should
Then my eyes are lifted upward for His glory and my good

There is hope in every trial for I can trust the Lord
He will turn my heart towards Him and help me bear the thorn
So in faith I follow Jesus on the road not understood
For I know that He is working for His glory and my good

(Chorus)
To our God be the glory
To our God be praise
He alone the name above all names
I will boast ever only in the Lord my God
For I know His glory is my good

See the open arms of Jesus upon the cross that day
What they understood as weakness deserves my every praise
For the charge that was against me, it was nailed into the wood
Yes, I know that He has saved me for His glory and my good

(Chorus)

Would I gladly be made nothing that Christ would be made more
Would I seek the only kingdom that far outweighs them all
I will stand before my Father where the faithful saints have stood
And with joy my heart shall praise Him for His glory and my good
(Chorus 2x)

Yes I know His glory is my good

*BENEDICTION

If you are in need of personal prayer, an elder is available up front after the service.

Benediction

Just as worship begins with God's call, it ends with God sending us into the world with his word of grace. We go forth to live and serve by the power of his grace, not our own strength.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOCAL MINISTRY TO PRAY FOR: Trinity Church PCA Bozeman, Pastors Bryan Clark & Jeff Hamling

MAY MISSION FOCUS: Garrett & Sarah Morrison

VESPERS: is TONIGHT at 6 pm. Come unplug and recharge with our evening service of prayer and song.

GRADUATION SUNDAY: If you or someone you know is graduating, please fill out the card in the foyer and drop it in the box by TODAY. We will honor our graduates during coffee hour next Sun., May 24.

COMMUNICANTS' CLASS: This is the last Sunday to sign your child up for the communicants' class. It starts tomorrow and runs from M-Th next week. Kids will meet with Pastor Lloyd in the church library from 3:45-4:30 pm.

SUMMER SERVICE SCHEDULE: This is the final day of Sunday school for the season. Starting next Sun., May 24, we will switch into summer mode at Faith Covenant, with service times at 8:15 & 10:15 and no Sunday School.

HOPE BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER: Help yourself to one of the baby bottles in the foyer to help Hope Pregnancy Ministries with their annual Baby Bottle Fundraiser. Fill your bottle at home with loose change, bills, or a check and bring it back to church by Father's Day.

SERVING: May On-Call Deacon - Patrick Jentz

WEEKLY/MONTHLY

Today (1st service/2nd service)

Ushers: N&H Hanson / Mattern Family
Children's Church: T&T Jentz / T&K Anderson
Nursery: Z. Hanson & G. Tronstad / Walker Family
Fellowship Hosts: N. Moody & L. Gomez
Communion Prep/Cleanup: J. Eck / H. Embry

Next Sunday May 24

Ushers: N&H Hanson / Mattern Family
Children's Church: T&T Jentz / T&K Anderson
Nursery: G&C Bennett / Wilbur Family
Fellowship Hosts: G. Tronstad & S. Salyer
Communion Prep/Cleanup: T. Carroll / Y. Hernandez

Sunday Worship Services

8:15 & 11 am

Sunday School

10 am

Vespers

2nd Sunday @ 6 pm

Wednesday Youth Group

6-7:30 pm (MS) / 6:30-8:15 pm (HS)

Elder/Deacon Meeting

3rd Monday @ 7 pm

Men's Breakfast

Wednesdays @ 6:30 am